

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

Please replace the original claims with the following list:

- 1-10. (canceled)
11. (currently amended): A mortise comprised of two ~~separate~~ first members configured to receive a tenon, said mortise capturing said tenon when said first members are pushed together.
12. (original): The apparatus of claim 11 wherein said mortise is a female dovetail slot and said tenon is a male dovetail.
13. (canceled)
14. (new): A system for partitioning space comprising:  
a plurality of first members having a first and a second end and a plurality of surfaces, some of said first members being interlocked with each other with at least one mortise and tenon joint, wherein at least one said mortise is a mortise as in claim 11; and  
an assembly of said first members into a frame member that receives at least one planar panel having a plurality of edges.